

As an outside salesman in the Los Angeles area, I travel up to 1000 car miles weekly on the freeways and streets of LA. I listen to AM and FM radio while driving and since subscribing, I listen to XM radio. Traffic reports are critical to my ability to be on time for my customer appointments. The local AM and FM stations provide traffic information periodically each hour. This is helpful, but traffic conditions change constantly. Since subscribing to XM, I am able to get continuous traffic information. This continuous service allows me to route myself around traffic problems.

The net result is that I have been able to schedule my appointment closer together and get in more appointments per day. This directly increases my ability to close more business, thus increasing my monthly salary.

I urge the FCC to reject the NAB's petition 04-160. Commercial radio, both AM and FM remains available and I pay for the XM subscription. XM should be able to program whatever they feel meets the needs of their customers.

Respectfully, W. C. Jones (taxpaying American)